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House Bills

HB 1348-S by House Committee on Judiciary (originally sponsored by Representatives Williams, Newhouse and Lantz)

Providing a uniform method of transferring a municipal court judgment into district court.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Provides a uniform method of transferring a municipal court judgment into district court.

Provides that, in the case of proceedings to civilly enforce a money judgment entered in a municipal court or municipal department of a district court organized under the laws of this state, the court shall have jurisdiction over the proceedings from the time of filing an abstract or transcript of judgment; upon which filing the municipal judgment shall be recognized as a judgment of the court, provided that the court shall not have authority to vacate or amend the underlying municipal judgment.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 1 JUDI - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

HB 1686 by Representatives Bailey, Armstrong, Hinkle, Skinner, Clements, Shabro, Roach, Kristiansen, Newhouse, Talcott, Pearson, Strow, Woods, Schindler, Serben, Buck, Ahern and McCune

Implementing health coverage cost reduction and consumer choice.

Finds that: (1) The cost of health care, along with the number of uninsured persons, is continuing to rise;

(2) Many individuals are uninsured because employers are not given adequate health insurance options that they and their employees can afford;

(3) Due to the increasing number of mandated health benefits, willing small employers are financially unable to provide affordable health insurance to their employees that meets the employees' individual needs;

(4) The purchaser and recipient of health care should have more control over the services and products they purchase; and

(5) It is in the best interest of the people of the state of Washington to contain the significantly increasing costs of malpractice insurance for licensed health care professionals and institutions and noninstitutional care providers in order to ensure the continued availability and affordability of health care services in this state by enacting further reforms to the health care tort liability system.

Declares an intent to: (1) Provide employees with more options in choosing a quality health care plan that meets their individual needs;

(2) Create a moratorium on new mandated health benefits, and require an independent cost-benefit analysis of all current health benefit mandates;

(3) Direct the public employees' benefits board to offer a health savings account option to public employees; and

(4) Enact medical malpractice reforms to stabilize the health care professional liability insurance market, maintain access to affordable quality health care services, and avert the kind of crisis now facing the residents of Washington.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1687 by Representatives Moeller, Talcott, O'Brien, Ericks, Lovick, Tom, Roberts, Appleton, Kagi, Hunter and Chase

Revising provisions concerning possession of firearms by persons found not guilty by reason of insanity.

Revises provisions concerning possession of firearms by persons found not guilty by reason of insanity.

Provides that, if a preponderance of the evidence in the record supports a finding that the person petitioning the court has engaged in violence and that it is more likely than not that the person will engage in violence after his or her right to possess a firearm is restored, the person shall bear the burden of proving by clear, cogent, and convincing evidence that he or she does not present a substantial danger to the safety of others.

Provides that no person who has been found not guilty by reason of insanity may petition a court for restoration of the right to possess a firearm unless the person meets the requirements for the restoration of the right to possess a firearm that would have applied under RCW 9.41.040(4) if the person had been found guilty of the crime.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 1688 by Representatives Cody, Clibborn, Moeller, Sommers, Kenney and Schual-Berke

Creating a task force to review the certificate of need program and the health care facilities bonding program.

Finds that: (1) Since the enactment of certificate of need legislation in 1979, the development of new health care technologies has resulted in significant advancements in the diagnosis and treatment of disease, and has enabled substantial expansion of sites where complex care and surgery can be performed;

(2) New technologies drive substantial health care expenditures. Yet, evidence related to their effectiveness is not routinely or systematically considered in decision making regarding adoption of new technologies. The principles of evidence-based medicine call for comprehensive review of data and studies related to a particular health care service or device, with emphasis given to high quality, objective studies. Findings regarding the effectiveness of these health services or devices are then applied to increase the likelihood that they will be used appropriately;

(3) The standards governing whether a certificate of need should be granted in RCW 70.38.115 focus largely on broad concepts of access to and availability of health services, with only limited consideration of cost-effectiveness. The standards governing whether bonds should be issued to finance development and acquisition of health care facilities and equipment in RCW 70.37.050 are limited to broad concepts of need and feasibility; and

(4) The certificate of need statute and the health care facilities authority bonding program statute should be reexamined and updated to reflect changes in health care delivery and financing since their enactment.

Creates a task force to study and prepare recommendations to the governor and the legislature related to improving and updating the certificate of need program in chapter 70.38 RCW, and the health care facilities bonding

program administered by the health care facilities authority in chapter 70.37 RCW. The report must be submitted to the governor and appropriate committees of the legislature by October 1, 2006.

Provides that the department may not issue a certificate of need for any application that was submitted on or after January 1, 2005. This moratorium on the issuance of certificates of need remains in effect until January 1, 2007.

Expires January 1, 2007.

Provides that the authority may not issue bonds for any request submitted on or after January 1, 2005. This moratorium on the issuance of bonds remains in effect until January 1, 2007.

Expires January 1, 2007.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1689 by Representatives Cody, Moeller, Appleton, Morrell, Clibborn, Green, Kenney, Murray, Schual-Berke and Chase

Concerning dental health services.

Declares that the following practice, act, and operation is excepted from the operation of the provisions of this chapter: The practice of dentistry by individuals in a postdoctoral dental residency program as provided under RCW 18.32.040 for the duration of the program.

Provides that the commission may accept, in lieu of all or part of the written examination required in this act, a certificate granted by a national or regional testing organization approved by the commission.

Authorizes the commission to accept, in lieu of the practical examination required in this act, proof that an applicant has satisfactorily completed a postdoctoral dental residency program approved by the commission, of at least one year's duration, in a community health clinic that serves predominantly low-income patients or is located in a dental care health professional shortage area in this state. The commission shall, with the recommendations of the University of Washington dental school, develop criteria for community clinics to use when sponsoring students in a residency program under this subsection, including guidelines for the proper supervision of the resident and measuring the resident's competence to practice dentistry.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1690 by Representatives Cody and Moeller

Regarding the applicability of certain taxes and assessments to state funded health care services.

Provides that the taxes imposed in RCW 48.14.0201 do not apply to amounts received by any taxpayer from the state of Washington as prepayments for health care services provided under: (1) The medical care services program as provided in RCW 74.09.035;

(2) The Washington basic health plan on behalf of subsidized enrollees as provided in chapter 70.47 RCW; or

(3) The medicaid program on behalf of elderly or disabled clients as provided in chapter 74.09 RCW when these prepayments are associated with a managed care contracting program that has been implemented on a demonstration or pilot project basis.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1691 by Representatives Orcutt, Blake, Kretz, DeBolt and Takko

Concerning the distribution of moneys from state forest lands.

Declares that no distribution may be made to the state general fund. Revenues that would otherwise be dedicated to the state general fund must be redistributed proportionally among the other funds receiving general tax revenue.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 1692 by Representatives Orcutt, Blake, Kretz, DeBolt, Schindler, Condotta, Buck and Takko

Concerning the management of forest lands by counties.

Provides that land acquired by the state under RCW 79.22.040 and 79.22.100 must be deeded back to the original county by the department when requested to do so by the legislative authority of the county under this act during the time periods established by the department under RCW 79.22.040. Land deeded back to the county is no longer part of the state forest lands, and includes all valuable materials, oils, gases, coals, minerals, or fossils associated with the land.

Provides that the legislative authority of any county that has deeded land to the department of natural resources under RCW 79.22.040 or 79.22.100 may request the department of natural resources to deed that land back to the county during the time periods established for such requests by the department under RCW 79.22.040. If the original land deeded to the department of natural resources has been transferred for other land within the same county, then the county may request the deed of the acquired property to be transferred to the county.

Declares that the county assumes full legal and equitable title to all lands deeded to the county under this act. The lands must be managed for maximum sustained profit as a working forest and be forever reserved from sale.

Provides that any moneys derived from the lease of lands obtained under this act, or from the sale of oils, gases, coal, minerals, fossils, or other valuable materials, as that term is defined in RCW 79.02.010, shall be paid, distributed, and prorated to the various funds in the same manner as general taxes are paid and distributed, except that no distribution may be made to the state general fund. Revenues that would otherwise be dedicated to the state general fund must be redistributed proportionally among the other funds receiving general tax revenue.

Provides that once a county has had land deeded back to it from the department of natural resources under this act, that county may deny any requests made by the department of natural resources under RCW 79.22.040 to have any qualifying lands deeded to the department of natural resources.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 1693 by Representatives McIntire and Orcutt; by request of Department of Revenue

Changing provisions relating to the high technology business and occupation tax credit.

Provides that, if the department finds that the failure of a taxpayer to file an annual survey under RCW 82.04.4452 by the due date was the result of circumstances beyond the control of the taxpayer, the department shall extend the time for filing the survey. Such extension shall be for a period of thirty days from the date the department issues its written notification to the taxpayer that it qualifies for an extension under this section. The department may grant additional extensions as it deems proper.

Provides that, in making a determination whether the failure of a taxpayer to file an annual survey by the due date was the result of circumstances beyond the control of the taxpayer, the department shall be guided by WAC 458-20-228 relating to the waiver or cancellation of penalties when the underpayment or untimely payment of any tax was due to circumstances beyond the control of the taxpayer.

Declares that persons required to file surveys under RCW 82.04.4452 must electronically file with the department all surveys, returns, and any other forms or information the department requires in an electronic format as provided or approved by the department, unless the department grants relief under this act.

Provides that, upon request, the department may relieve a person of the obligations in this act if the person's taxes have been reduced a cumulative total of less than one thousand dollars from all of the credits, exemptions, or preferential business and occupation tax rates, for which a person is required to file an annual survey under RCW 82.04.4452, 82.04.4483, 82.04.4484, 82.32.535, 82.32.545, 82.32.570, 82.32.560, 82.60.070, 82.62.050, or 82.63.020.

Provides that a person who owes additional tax as a result of section 3(9)(a), chapter ..., Laws of 2005 (section 3(9)(a) of this act) is liable for interest, but not penalties as provided in RCW 82.32.090 (1) and (2), if the entire additional tax liability is paid in full to the department of revenue before January 1, 2006. Interest shall be assessed at the rate provided for delinquent excise taxes under chapter 82.32 RCW, retroactively to the date the credit was claimed, and shall accrue until the additional tax is repaid.

Declares that persons who fail to repay the full amount of additional tax owed as a result of section 3(9)(a), chapter ..., Laws of 2005 (section 3(9)(a) of this act) before January 1, 2006, are subject to all applicable penalties and interest as provided in chapter 82.32 RCW on the additional tax owing after December 31, 2005.

Expires December 31, 2010.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1694 by Representatives O'Brien, Lovick, Hankins, Ericks, Holmquist, Darneille, Kirby and Moeller

Protecting public employee personal information.

Revises provisions for the protection of public employee personal information.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 1695 by Representatives Buri, Kretz, Green, Grant, Newhouse, Blake, DeBolt, Orcutt, Haler, B. Sullivan and Buck

Modifying the definition of "resident" for the purposes of Title 77 RCW.

Revises the definition of "resident" for the purposes of Title 77 RCW.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 1696 by Representatives Blake, Buck, Takko, Holmquist, McCune, Condotta, Hinkle and B. Sullivan

Increasing penalties for the violation of certain fish and wildlife provisions.

Increases penalties for the violation of certain fish and wildlife provisions.

Creates the fish and wildlife enforcement reward account in the custody of the state treasurer. All receipts from criminal wildlife penalty assessments under RCW 77.15.420 must be deposited into the account.

Provides that expenditures from the account may be used only for investigation and prosecution of fish and wildlife offenses, to provide rewards to persons informing the department about violations of Title 77 RCW and rules adopted under Title 77 RCW, and for other valid enforcement uses as determined by the commission. Only the director or the director's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for expenditures.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 1697 by Representatives Ericksen, DeBolt and Schindler

Issuing provisional driver's licenses to persons failing to prove U.S. citizenship.

Provides that a person applying for issuance or renewal of a driver's license must provide proof of United States citizenship. If the person does not supply proof meeting the requirements of RCW 46.20.035, the department may not issue the person a regular driver's license.

Provides that, if the person satisfies all other requirements and fees prescribed by law, the department shall issue the person a provisional driver's license. A provisional driver's license is valid for one year from the date of issuance, and may be renewed as provided in RCW 46.20.181.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1698 by Representatives Cody, Bailey, Hinkle and Moeller; by request of Department of Social and Health Services

Exempting recipients of medical assistance under Title 74 RCW from independent review determinations.

Exempts recipients of medical assistance under Title 74 RCW from independent review determinations.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1699 by Representatives Lantz, Priest and Tom

Regulating agreements for the purchase and sale of real estate.

Amends RCW 64.04.005 relating to agreements for the purchase and sale of real estate.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

HB 1700 by Representatives Kilmer, Buck, Dunshee and Strow

Modifying the dispersal of funds from the recreation resource account for the benefit of watercraft recreation in the state.

Revises the dispersal of funds from the recreation resource account for the benefit of watercraft recreation in the state.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Capital Budget.

HB 1701 by Representatives B. Sullivan, Dunshee and Chase

Transferring certain common school trust land.

Provides that, by December 31, 2005, the board of natural resources shall transfer common school trust land, commonly known as the "Harbor Pointe" parcel, located in Mukilteo, Washington, to the city of Mukilteo for public and recreational purposes.

Appropriates the sum of four million five hundred thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the biennium ending June 30, 2007, from the state building construction account to the natural resources real property replacement account for the department of natural resources to purchase replacement land of equal value to that transferred under this act, to maintain the value of the common school trust.

Provides that the maximum amount that may be expended pursuant to this appropriation may not exceed the valuation of the land dependent on a third party independent appraisal.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 1702 by Representatives Cody, Campbell, Moeller, Appleton, Morrell, Green, Conway, Schual-Berke, Simpson, Darneille, Lantz, Kenney, Murray, Ormsby, Chase and Hasegawa

Creating the "Health Care Responsibility Act" to expand access to health insurance coverage.

Declares an intent to: (1) Expand access to health care by increasing the number of large employers who provide health benefits to their employees and imposing a fee on large employers who do not offer such benefits. Fee

revenues will be used to fund basic health plan coverage for as many employees of employers paying the fee as the fee revenues can support. However, consistent with this act, large employers can reduce or eliminate their fee through expenditures on health services for their employees;

(2) Maintain existing protections in law for persons eligible for medical assistance programs, the state children's health insurance program, and the basic health plan.

Declares it is not the intent to influence the content or administration of employee benefit plans, and the legislature is neutral as to whether large employers choose to pay the tax or provide health services to their employees and dependents.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1703 by Representatives Jarrett and Sells

Exempting fare cards from the unclaimed property act.

Declares that "fare card" means any pass or instrument, and value contained therein, purchased to utilize public transportation facilities or services. "Fare card" does not include "gift card" or "gift certificate" as those terms are defined in RCW 19.240.010.

Declares that chapter 63.29 RCW does not apply to fare cards.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1704 by Representatives Upthegrove, B. Sullivan, McCoy and Chase

Creating the timber land revitalization board.

Declares an intent to provide greater state financial assistance to revitalize and maintain forest lands in the state, through creation of a funding board to make grants on a competitive basis that support protection of the forest land base and that assist in developing innovative strategies for supporting economically and environmentally healthy forests and forest-dependent communities.

Appropriates the sum of seven million five hundred thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the forestry revitalization account to the timber land revitalization board for the biennium ending June 30, 2007, to carry out the purposes of chapter 76.-- RCW (sections 1 through 7, 13, and 14 of this act).

Appropriates the sum of two million five hundred thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the forestry revitalization revolving account to the timber land revitalization board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, to carry out the purposes of chapter 76.-- RCW (sections 1 through 7, 13, and 14 of this act).

Requires that, on or before June 30, 2006, the treasurer shall transfer two million five hundred thousand dollars from the forestry revitalization account to the forestry revitalization revolving account.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks.

HB 1705 by Representatives Linville, Ericksen, Morris, Quall, Schual-Berke and Lantz

Regarding medical assistance and physician recruitment.

Declares an intent to preserve the number of private medical practitioners providing essential safety net care to uninsured and medicaid patients by addressing barriers to private practice participation. Private practitioners are critical to preserving health care access for lower-income patients.

Declares an intent to provide targeted economic incentives for private provider participation in safety net care and calls for the streamlining of medicaid administrative procedures and a reduction of the administrative burden on private medical providers.

Requires the department to reverify eligibility for medical assistance on an annual basis.

Provides that the department shall not charge copremiums for medical and dental coverage of children.

Requires the department to upgrade the medicaid management information system and participate in a single secure eligibility verification system used by carriers and health care providers.

Provides that the department shall require health care contractors to develop policies and practices to support collaborative efforts to promote a new model of chronic disease management.

Requires the department to provide retroactive payment to health care providers when patient medicaid eligibility and health contractor verification is not available at the time of service.

Provides that the department shall require health care contractors to have primary care and specialty care networks in place and shall verify the integrity of their primary care and specialty care networks, that those networks are geographically within the service area, and that the providers are actually open to accepting referrals before the department signs or extends contracts. If an out-of-county specialist is needed for a medicaid client because of an inadequate specialist network within the county, written documentation is not required.

Directs the department to develop a grant program to reimburse providers who serve individuals who are medically indigent.

Provides that the department of health shall develop, in consultation with the department of revenue, a program to provide business and occupation tax credits for physicians who serve uninsured and medicaid patients in a private practice or a reduced fee access program for the uninsured and shall submit proposed legislation to the legislature by December 15, 2005.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1706 by Representatives Lantz, McCoy, B. Sullivan, Williams, Moeller, Hunt, Murray and Chase

Creating the department of archaeology and historic preservation.

Provides that the office of archaeology and historic preservation is hereby abolished and its powers, duties, and functions are hereby transferred to the department of archaeology and historic preservation.

Repeals RCW 27.34.210, 27.34.310, and 27.34.320.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 1707 by Representatives Ormsby, Priest, Fromhold, Cox, P. Sullivan, Jarrett, Kenney, Buri, Ericks, Conway, Quall, Simpson, Lantz, McCoy, Chase, Moeller and Wood

Providing a funding formula for skill centers.

Finds that skill centers provide students with high quality educational opportunities through programs that combine academics with career and technical education.

Finds that skill centers provide extremely valuable support to local businesses seeking skilled entry-level employees and to communities attempting to enhance local economic development opportunities.

Finds that the funding formula used for skill center students needs to be revised to ensure that a student who is taking classes at a skill center and high school simultaneously generates full funding for the instruction that each provides to the student.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1708 by Representatives Lovick, Quall, Dickerson, Cox, Haigh, Kenney, McDermott, O'Brien, Sells, B. Sullivan, Appleton, Simpson, Kagi, Darneille, Morrell, Green, P. Sullivan, Ormsby, McCoy, Chase and Moeller

Regarding dropout prevention.

Requires the superintendent of public instruction to review and evaluate promising programs for dropout prevention.

Requires the superintendent to report to the legislature by December 1, 2005, and recommend: (1) The two most promising comprehensive dropout prevention programs that encompass school-wide or district-wide restructuring of the delivery of educational services; and

(2) The two most promising targeted dropout prevention programs designed to provide social and other services in coordination with educational services to students who are at risk of dropping out due to the presence of family, personal, economic, or cultural circumstances.

Directs the superintendent of public instruction to establish school and school district goals addressing high school graduation rates and dropout reduction goals for students in grades seven through twelve. Goals under this section shall require annual uniform incremental growth in graduation rates from all schools and districts beginning in the 2005-06 school year and shall meet or exceed the high school graduation rate requirements under the federal no child left behind act of 2001.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1709 by Representatives Shabro, Talcott, Curtis, DeBolt, Ahern and Tom

Changing educational assessments.

Declares an intent to ensure that the state's assessment system is designed to provide information on how well Washington's students are learning compared to their peers in neighboring schools and across the state and country.

Declares an intent that the assessment system include diagnostic assessments and other instruments that help teachers and parents discover the specific grade level expectations that students need additional support to learn.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Education.

HB 1710 by Representatives Morrell, Clibborn, Cody, Green, Moeller, Appleton and Conway

Providing for health care staffing level reporting.

Requires each hospital and nursing home to compile and post in a visible and accessible manner and location of the patient care area of each unit of the hospital the following information regarding each unit and shift: (1) The number of registered nurses licensed under chapter 18.79 RCW providing direct patient care and the ratio of patients to registered nurses;

(2) The number of licensed practical nurses licensed under chapter 18.79 RCW providing direct patient care and the ratio of patients to licensed practical nurses;

(3) The number of nursing assistants certified or registered under chapter 18.88A RCW providing direct patient care and the ratio of patients to nursing assistants;

(4) The number of other credentialed health care providers providing direct patient care to meet any state or federal staffing requirements; and

(5) The methods used by the hospital for determining and adjusting direct patient care staffing levels.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1711 by Representatives Wallace, Woods, Simpson, Morrell, Lovick, Flannigan, Chase, Moeller and Kilmer

Revising marking requirement parking places for persons with disabilities.

Amends RCW 46.61.581 relating to parking places for persons with disabilities.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1712 by Representatives Woods, McDonald, Hankins, Bailey, Ahern, McCune, Kristiansen, Roach, Holmquist, Pearson, Condotta, Dunn, Linville and Skinner

Changing the tuition waiver for Persian Gulf veterans.

Amends RCW 28B.15.628 relating to tuition waivers for veterans of the Persian Gulf combat zone.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Higher Education.

HB 1713 by Representatives Woods, Grant, Sump and Haler

Modifying water right application requirements for domestic water supply to fourteen or fewer service connections.

Declares that, for a domestic water supply to fourteen or fewer service connections, the service connection figure in the application or any subsequent water right documents is not an attribute limiting exercise of the water right as long as the amount of water withdrawn or diverted under the water right does not exceed the instantaneous or annual

amounts authorized by the permit or such subsequent documents for the water right.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.

HB 1714 by Representatives McDermott, Tom, Cody, Clibborn, Schual-Berke, Jarrett, Hunt, Morrell, Hankins, Wood, Quall, Miloscia, Moeller, Murray, Chase, Flannigan, Green, Dunshee, Dickerson, Darneille, Kenney, Roberts, B. Sullivan, Hunter, Sommers, Pettigrew, Lantz, Haler, Simpson, McIntire, Williams, Kagi, Takko and P. Sullivan

Prohibiting smoking in public places.

Recognizes the increasing evidence that tobacco secondhand smoke creates a danger to the health of the citizens of this state. In order to protect the health and welfare of those citizens, it is necessary to prohibit smoking in public places.

Provides that a person who violates RCW 70.160.050 is guilty of an infraction punishable by: (1) A warning to the owner or person in charge for the first violation that occurs within a calendar year;

(2) A fine not exceeding one hundred dollars for a second violation that occurs within a calendar year; and

(3) A fine not exceeding five hundred dollars for each additional violation that occurs within a calendar year.

Declares that nothing in chapter 70.160 RCW prevents a city, town, or county from adopting ordinances more restrictive than this chapter or regulations adopted under this chapter that restrict or prohibit smoking in public places situated within its jurisdiction.

Repeals RCW 70.160.040 and 70.160.060.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health Care.

HB 1715 by Representatives Fromhold, Jarrett, Wallace, Conway and Moeller

Authorizing certain PUDs to operate an electrical appliance repair service.

Provides that a public utility district located within a county that has a contiguous border with the state of Oregon and a population of three hundred forty thousand or more that provides electrical, water, and sewer service to its customers may operate an electrical appliance repair service.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Technology, Energy & Communications.

HB 1716 by Representatives Roach and Kirby

Waiving certain underinsured motorist property damage coverage.

Amends RCW 48.22.030 to provide that when a named insured or spouse chooses a property damage coverage that is less than the insured's third party liability coverage for property damage, a written rejection is not required.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions & Insurance.

HB 1717 by Representatives McDermott and Nixon

Conforming legal notice broadcast requirements to current practice.

Conforms legal notice broadcast requirements to current practice.

Repeals RCW 65.16.140.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 1718 by Representatives Dickerson, Woods, Sommers, Dunshee, Cody, Pettigrew, Jarrett, McDermott and Kenney

Clarifying city monorail transportation authority.

Clarifies city monorail transportation authority.

Provides that an authority may establish, by resolution, a schedule of fines and penalties for civil infractions established in this act. Fines established by a city transportation authority may not exceed those imposed for class 1 civil infractions under RCW 7.80.120.

Provides that persons traveling on monorail trains operated by an authority shall pay the fare established by the authority. They shall produce proof of payment when requested by a person designated to monitor fare payment.

Declares that the following are civil infractions punishable according to the schedule of fines and penalties established by the authority under this act: (1) Failure to pay or attempting to evade payment of the required fare;

(2) Failure to display proof of payment when requested to do so by a person designated to monitor fare payment; and

(3) Failure to leave the monorail train or station when requested to do so by a person designated to monitor fare payment.

Declares that nothing in this act prevents law enforcement authorities from prosecuting for theft, trespass, or other criminal charge a person who: (1) Fails to pay or attempts to evade payment of the required fare on more than one occasion within a twelve-month period;

(2) Fails to sign a notice of civil infraction;

(3) Fails to leave the monorail train or station when requested to do so by a person designated to monitor fare payment; or

(4) Acts or fails to act in violation of law.

Provides that the maximum term of any general obligation or revenue bond issue is the greater of forty years or the maximum period of time permitted by the Internal Revenue Code at the time of financing for tax-exempt financing of the assets being acquired or constructed with the proceeds of the bonds.

Provides that, in order to obtain or renew a vehicle license, an applicant must satisfy all special motor vehicle excise tax obligations with respect to any taxing district in which the applicant primarily resides. If the department or its agents have a reasonable basis to believe that a vehicle registered at an address outside any taxing district is owned by a person whose primary residence address is in that taxing district, then the renewal application may be processed by the department or its agents only if the applicant: (1) Presents evidence reasonably satisfactory to the department or its agents that the applicant's primary residence is not in the taxing district;

(2) Establishes eligibility of the applicant for an exemption from the special motor vehicle excise tax; or

(3) Tenders payment of the applicable special motor vehicle excise tax, including, but not limited to, any such tax

that should have been paid with respect to previous renewal periods, files a change of address under RCW 46.20.205, and pays a surcharge of fifteen dollars.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Transportation.

HB 1719 by Representatives P. Sullivan, Cox, Hunt, Simpson and Williams

Regarding school district bidding requirements.

Revises school district bidding requirements.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to State Government Operations & Accountability.

HB 1720 by Representatives Linville, Hunt, Strow, Ormsby and Quall

Defining supervisor for public employment purposes.

Declares that "supervisor" means an employee who has authority, in the interest of the employer, to hire, transfer, suspend, lay off, recall, promote, discharge, direct, reward, or discipline employees, including the supervision of student workers at an institution of higher education.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1721 by Representatives Hunter, Orcutt and McIntire

Simplifying the concurrent taxing jurisdictions of the tribal municipalities and the state.

Recognizes that state and tribal jurisdiction to tax the same transaction results in confusion regarding the imposition and collection of tax.

Declares an intent to allow tribal municipalities to contract with the department of revenue for the distribution of tax in the same manner as other cities and towns within the state of Washington.

Declares an intent that the tribal municipal tax be treated the same as a tax imposed by a city or town tax insofar as calculating the percentage of tax to be shared between the county and the city or town.

Provides that, as a pilot project, the department may enter into an interlocal cooperation agreement pursuant to chapter 39.34 RCW with any Indian tribe that has a city, as that term is used in this act, to administer and collect tax under the provisions of RCW 82.14.050 to be levied on activities occurring on federal Indian trust or restricted fee lands within the boundaries of the city as the boundaries are defined by the charter of the city.

Provides that the agreement may also cover additional areas of tax administration, including audit and compliance, and other administrative provisions of chapters 82.03, 82.08, 82.12, and 82.32 RCW, as may be required to simplify tax administration and tax reporting.

Requires the department to report to the legislature by December 1, 2006, regarding the agreement. The report shall contain information on the fiscal impact of the agreement, administrative issues encountered during implementation, any legal issues that need to be addressed in state law, and any other matter significant to the

agreement. The report shall contain a recommendation on the feasibility of extending this pilot project.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1722 by Representatives Grant, Newhouse, Linville, Buri, Clements, Walsh, Haler and Skinner

Extending an asparagus exception to the standards for fruits and vegetables.

Extends an asparagus exception to the standards for fruits and vegetables to December 31, 2007.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Economic Development, Agriculture & Trade.

HB 1723 by Representatives Hunter, Orcutt, Linville, Fromhold, Tom and Ericks

Modifying the high technology business and occupation tax credit.

Revises the high technology business and occupation tax credit.

Repeals RCW 82.04.4452.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 1724 by Representatives Conway, Hudgins, Wood, Appleton, Ormsby, Simpson, Morrell, Williams, Kenney, Kirby, Kagi, Cody, Schual-Berke, McCoy, Chase, Sells, Clibborn, O'Brien, Hunt, Hasegawa, Moeller and P. Sullivan

Requiring disclosure of outsourcing.

Requires disclosure of outsourcing.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

HB 1725 by Representatives Conway, Green, Hudgins, Wood, Appleton, Ormsby, Simpson, Darneille, Morrell, Williams, Kenney, Kirby, Kagi, Cody, McCoy, Chase, Sells, O'Brien, Hunt, Hasegawa, Moeller, Roberts and P. Sullivan

Prohibiting the offshoring of work under state contracts.

Prohibits the offshoring of work under state contracts.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Commerce & Labor.

House Joint Memorials

HJM 4009 by Representatives Ormsby, Dunn, Miloscia, Jarrett, Pettigrew, Flannigan, Springer, Morrell, Sells, O'Brien, Conway, Priest, Simpson, Kagi, Darneille, Lantz, Kenney, Clibborn, Cody, Schual-Berke, Chase, Hasegawa and Wood

Requesting that Section 8 housing assistance be maintained.

Requests that Section 8 housing assistance be maintained.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Housing.

Senate Bills

SB 5139-S by Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Haugen, Oke, Poulsen and Swecker)

Modifying highway and bridge tolling authority.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Revises provisions relating to highway and bridge tolling authority.

Repeals provisions of chapter 47.56 RCW.

Repeals RCW 47.58.500, 47.60.445, 47.60.450, 47.60.502, and 47.60.503.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 1 TRAN - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.

Minority; without recommendation.

Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

Feb 2 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

SB 5182-S by Senate Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research & Development (originally sponsored by Senators Franklin and Sheldon)

Requiring disclosures for single burial use of multiple interment space. Revised for 1st Substitute: Requiring disclosures for single burial use of multiple interment space.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires every cemetery to disclose and give to the person making cemetery arrangements a written statement, contract, or other document that indicates all the items of property, merchandise, and service that the customer is purchasing, and the price of those items.

Requires any cemetery offering single burial use of multiple interment space to disclose on the interment statement, contract, or other document, the definition of multiple interment.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 1 LCRD - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
- Feb 2 Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

SB 5243-S by Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Kohl-Welles, Hargrove and Stevens)

Imposing an additional assessment for persons entering diversion agreements in regard to prostitution offenses.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Imposes an additional assessment for persons entering into a statutory or nonstatutory diversion agreement in regard to prostitution offenses.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 HSC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.

SB 5407-S by Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections (originally sponsored by Senators Delvin, Hargrove, Regala, Roach, Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Kline and McAuliffe)

Establishing an interagency plan for children of incarcerated parents.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Declares an intent to support children in the state whose parents are incarcerated by encouraging the state agencies involved with families of individuals who are incarcerated to coordinate and expand existing services for these families in order to improve the well-being of children of incarcerated parents both over the short term and the long term.

Directs the department of corrections, in partnership with the department of social and health services, to establish an oversight committee to develop a comprehensive interagency plan to provide the necessary services and supports for the children of this state whose parents are incarcerated in jail or prison.

Requires the oversight committee to develop the interagency plan by June 30, 2006, with an interim report due January 1, 2006.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 1 HSC - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
- Feb 2 Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.

SB 5441-S by Senate Committee on Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education (originally sponsored by Senators Weinstein, McAuliffe, Prentice, Kohl-Welles, Eide, Berkey, Poulsen, Keiser, Brown, Fraser,

Shin, Haugen, Schmidt, Kline, Rockefeller, Spanel and Rasmussen; by request of Governor Gregoire)

Requiring an education and higher education finance study.

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Finds that: (1) The early years mark the most extraordinary period of growth for young children. The state's role in providing access to early learning opportunities has never been consistently defined;

(2) More than a quarter of a century has passed since the current school finance system was first created, and the challenges facing our schools and students have grown and changed dramatically during that time. Policies have been established creating new expectations and goals for students under education reform;

(3) Demographic pressures and work force needs will continue to increase demand for access to postsecondary education and training. Public two-year and four-year institutions of higher education are also important avenues for programs such as adult basic education and English as a second language that are the foundation for employment and further education for an increasing number of people. Students have paid an increasing cost of their education with tuition growing faster than personal income or inflation; and

(4) Through a comprehensive study, the legislature will have solid information to determine how best to use its resources to create a strong education system that will provide an educated citizenry and a thriving economy in this state.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 EKHE - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
And refer to Ways & Means.
Referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5672 by Senators Jacobsen, Esser, Poulsen, Benson and Swecker

Regulating commercial parking businesses.

Declares that a commercial parking business may not charge a parking charge unless a sign is conspicuously posted on the parking lot that clearly indicates: (1) The times and circumstances in which a parking charge will be charged;

(2) The amount of the parking charge, a schedule of hourly or daily rates, or a schedule of parking charges for different circumstances or durations; and

(3) The name, telephone number, and address of the commercial parking business.

Provides that the registered owner of an unauthorized vehicle in a commercial parking lot is presumed to be liable for parking charges. It shall be an affirmative defense of the registered owner, provable by clear and convincing evidence, that the person who parked the vehicle at the commercial parking lot was not authorized, either actually or impliedly, by the registered owner to use or drive the vehicle.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

- Feb 2 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5673 by Senators Prentice, Zarelli, Shin, Benton and Rasmussen; by request of Department of Revenue

Changing provisions relating to the high technology business and occupation tax credit.

Provides that, if the department finds that the failure of a taxpayer to file an annual survey under RCW 82.04.4452 by the due date was the result of circumstances beyond the control of the taxpayer, the department shall extend the time for filing the survey. Such extension shall be for a period of thirty days from the date the department issues its written notification to the taxpayer that it qualifies for an extension under this section. The department may grant additional extensions as it deems proper.

Provides that, in making a determination whether the failure of a taxpayer to file an annual survey by the due date was the result of circumstances beyond the control of the taxpayer, the department shall be guided by WAC 458-20-228 relating to the waiver or cancellation of penalties when the underpayment or untimely payment of any tax was due to circumstances beyond the control of the taxpayer.

Declares that persons required to file surveys under RCW 82.04.4452 must electronically file with the department all surveys, returns, and any other forms or information the department requires in an electronic format as provided or approved by the department, unless the department grants relief under this act.

Provides that, upon request, the department may relieve a person of the obligations in this act if the person's taxes have been reduced a cumulative total of less than one thousand dollars from all of the credits, exemptions, or preferential business and occupation tax rates, for which a person is required to file an annual survey under RCW 82.04.4452, 82.04.4483, 82.04.4484, 82.32.535, 82.32.545, 82.32.570, 82.32.560, 82.60.070, 82.62.050, or 82.63.020.

Provides that a person who owes additional tax as a result of section 3(9)(a), chapter ..., Laws of 2005 (section 3(9)(a) of this act) is liable for interest, but not penalties as provided in RCW 82.32.090 (1) and (2), if the entire additional tax liability is paid in full to the department of revenue before January 1, 2006. Interest shall be assessed at the rate provided for delinquent excise taxes under chapter 82.32 RCW, retroactively to the date the credit was claimed, and shall accrue until the additional tax is repaid.

Declares that persons who fail to repay the full amount of additional tax owed as a result of section 3(9)(a), chapter ..., Laws of 2005 (section 3(9)(a) of this act) before January 1, 2006, are subject to all applicable penalties and interest as provided in chapter 82.32 RCW on the additional tax owing after December 31, 2005.

Expires December 31, 2010.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5674 by Senators Parlette, Honeyford and Mulliken

Simplifying and adding certainty to the calculation of workers' compensation benefits.

Simplifies and adds certainty to the calculation of workers' compensation benefits.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5675 by Senators Rockefeller, Oke and Shin

Authorizing fire protection districts to establish or participate in health clinic services.

Amends RCW 52.02.020 to authorize fire protection districts to establish or participate in health clinic services.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5676 by Senators Poulsen, Kline, Shin, Spanel, Fraser and Kohl-Welles

Requiring oil spill contingency plans to include shellfish beds.

Amends RCW 90.56.210 to require oil spill contingency plans to include shellfish beds.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 5677 by Senators Benton, Kohl-Welles, Sheldon, Stevens, Jacobsen, Oke, Keiser and Rasmussen

Revoking certificates or permits of educational employees possessing pornography on school grounds.

Provides that any certificate or permit authorized under chapter 28A.410 RCW or chapter 28A.405 RCW shall be revoked by the authority authorized to grant the certificate upon a finding that an employee has engaged in any unauthorized use of school equipment for sexual gratification or has possessed on school grounds any material that is pornographic or any material depicting sexually explicit conduct as defined in RCW 9.68A.011. The person whose certificate is in question shall be given an opportunity to be heard. Certificates or permits shall be revoked under this provision only if findings are made on or after the effective date of this act.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

SB 5678 by Senators Poulsen, Zarelli, Keiser, Delvin, Kastama, Haugen, Kline, Rasmussen, McAuliffe and Kohl-Welles

Promoting safe neighborhoods through more effective community planning.

Declares that local governments should be provided with the opportunity to obtain assistance from the state for the purpose of adopting or revising community planning processes to include concepts and policies designed to achieve the goal of improving neighborhood safety and security. This goal should be accomplished through community-based pilot projects funded through matching funds to be implemented through a grant process administered by the department of community, trade, and economic development.

Provides that, subject to funding made available for this purpose, the department shall include in its program of technical and financial assistance established in RCW 36.70A.190, two pilot projects created by local governments to encourage and facilitate both the study and

implementation of safe neighborhood planning. Priority should be given to programs: (1) Aimed at facilitating improvements to existing private properties for the purpose of crime prevention;

(2) Integrated into a comprehensive crime prevention and property improvement plan; and

(3) Involving a partnership between the public and private sectors.

Requires the department of community, trade, and economic development to make a written report to the house of representatives local government committee by December 1, 2005, containing a description and evaluation of the pilot projects implemented under this act.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5679 by Senators McCaslin, Berkey, Oke and Kohl-Welles

Providing an alternative manner of dispersing surplus political funds.

Authorizes a donation of the surplus to a public school, school district, or educational service district, or to a charitable organization registered in accordance with chapter 19.09 RCW.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5680 by Senators Roach, Zarelli, Prentice, Fraser, Fairley and Rasmussen; by request of Department of Social and Health Services

Regarding capital facilities at the Rainier school.

Amends RCW 72.01.140 relating to capital facilities at the Rainier school.

Repeals RCW 28B.30.820 and 72.01.142.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5681 by Senators Keiser, Parlette, Brandland and Rasmussen; by request of Department of Social and Health Services

Exempting recipients of medical assistance under Title 74 RCW from independent review determinations.

Exempts recipients of medical assistance under Title 74 RCW from independent review determinations.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5682 by Senators Keiser, Deccio, Rasmussen and Kohl-Welles

Regulating beer and wine sampling.

Provides that licensees under RCW 66.24.360 may provide, free or for a charge, single-serving samples of two ounces or less, but no more than a total of eight ounces, to customers for the purpose of sales promotion if the licensees operate fully enclosed retail areas encompassing at least

twenty thousand square feet. Sampling activities of licensees under this act are subject to RCW 66.28.010 and 66.28.040.

Requires the service area and facilities to be located within the licensee's fully enclosed retail area, and must be of a size and design such that the licensee can observe and control persons in the area to ensure that persons under twenty-one years of age and apparently intoxicated persons cannot possess or consume alcohol. Customers must remain in the service area while consuming samples.

Provides that domestic breweries, microbreweries, and certificate of approval holders may bear both the direct and the indirect costs of providing samples of their own brands of beer. Domestic wineries may bear only the indirect costs of providing samples of their own brands of wine.

Declares that, with respect to sampling activities under RCW 66.24.360 and 66.24.371, this act does not prohibit: (1) A domestic brewery, microbrewery, or certificate of approval holder from furnishing its own brands of beer to a licensee; or

(2) A domestic brewery, microbrewery, domestic winery, or certificate of approval holder from pouring or dispensing samples of its own brands of beer or wine for a licensee's customers. Such sampling activities, however, may occur no more than eight times per calendar year, no longer than two consecutive days, and no more frequently than once every four weeks.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5683 by Senators Oke, Jacobsen, Kastama, Swecker, Berkey, Schoesler, Morton, Delvin, Shin and Rasmussen

Increasing penalties for the violation of certain fish and wildlife provisions.

Increases penalties for the violation of certain fish and wildlife provisions.

Creates the fish and wildlife enforcement reward account in the custody of the state treasurer. All receipts from criminal wildlife penalty assessments under RCW 77.15.420 must be deposited into the account.

Provides that expenditures from the account may be used only for investigation and prosecution of fish and wildlife offenses, to provide rewards to persons informing the department about violations of Title 77 RCW and rules adopted under Title 77 RCW, and for other valid enforcement uses as determined by the commission. Only the director or the director's designee may authorize expenditures from the account. The account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an appropriation is not required for expenditures.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 5684 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Brown, Kline, Hargrove, McAuliffe, Stevens, Keiser, Thibaudeau, Fairley, Weinstein, Spanel and Rasmussen

Adopting a wage ladder for child care workers.

Declares an intent to increase wages to child care workers through establishing a child care career and wage ladder that provides increased wages for child care workers based on their work experience, level of responsibility, and

education. To the extent practicable within available funds, this child care career and wage ladder shall mirror the successful child care career and wage ladder pilot project operated by the state between 2000 and 2003.

Declares that, while it is the intent to establish the vision of a statewide child care career and wage ladder that will enhance employment quality and stability for child care workers, the legislature also recognizes that funding allocations will determine the extent of statewide implementation of a child care career and wage ladder.

Requires the division of child care and early learning in the department of social and health services to establish a child care career and wage ladder in licensed child care centers that meet the following criteria: (1) At least ten percent of child care slots are dedicated to children whose care is subsidized by the state or any political subdivision thereof or any local government;

(2) The center agrees to adopt the child care career and wage ladder, which, at a minimum, shall be at the same pay schedule as existed in the previous child care career and wage ladder pilot project; and

(3) The center meets further program standards as established by rule pursuant to this act.

Appropriates the sum of five million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the general fund to the department of social and health services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, to carry out the purposes of this act.

Appropriates the sum of five million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the general fund to the department of social and health services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, to carry out the purposes of this act.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5685 by Senators Kline, Johnson, Weinstein and Esser

Administering the state-funded civil representation of indigent persons.

Finds that the provision of civil legal aid services to indigent persons is an important component of the state's responsibility to provide for the proper and effective administration of civil and criminal justice.

Finds that state-funded legal aid services should be administered by an independent office of civil legal aid located within the judicial branch and subject to formal continuing oversight that includes bipartisan legislative representation.

Creates a civil legal aid oversight committee.

Creates an office of civil legal aid as an independent agency of the judicial branch.

Repeals RCW 43.08.270.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5686 by Senators Fairley, Kline and Rasmussen

Regulating check cashers and sellers.

Provides that a person may not engage in the business of brokering, servicing, or making small loans as an agent, broker, or servicer for a licensee or exempt entity without first obtaining a small loan endorsement to a check casher or check seller license under chapter 31.45 RCW. An agent, broker, or servicer of a licensee or exempt entity engaged in the business of making small loans is subject to this chapter.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

SB 5687 by Senators Deccio, Thibaudeau, Keiser and Benson

Changing the number of residents allowed to reside in an adult family home.

Changes the number of residents allowed to reside in an adult family home from six to eight adults.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5688 by Senators Pridemore, Poulsen, Rockefeller, Brown, Regala, Kline, Weinstein and Kohl-Welles

Requiring compliance history disclosure in order to obtain an environmental quality permit.

Finds that: (1) The illegal discharge of pollutants to Washington's air and water, and the improper management and disposal of solid and hazardous wastes in Washington's environment can create significant risks to public health and environmental quality;

(2) Washington's businesses bear much of the costs incurred when polluters fail to clean up environmental contamination;

(3) A polluting business may gain an economic advantage that is unfair to businesses that are in compliance with emission limitations, waste management standards, and other environmental quality requirements;

(4) The protection of Washington's environment from unnecessary degradation is a matter of public trust;

(5) The public has a right to clean air and water and to a healthy environment; and

(6) Because of the importance of these resources to the health and welfare of Washington citizens, there must be disclosure of pertinent environmental compliance information by those persons submitting applications and persons with operational responsibility or ownership of the activity to be covered by the permit.

Declares it is the purpose of this act to ensure that the state has adequate information about the environmental quality compliance history of applicants for the purpose of reviewing the application and making decisions on the application.

Provides that the responsible official must deny an environmental quality permit application if: (1) The applicant or a person acting at the direction of the applicant intentionally withholds or misrepresents material information required to be submitted under this act;

(2) The applicant or a person acting at the direction of the applicant has offered or conferred any benefit personally to an employee of the state or a local air pollution control agency in the expectation that such offer will result in or contribute to an approval of the application;

(3) The applicant or any person listed in the information provided in this act has been convicted of a felony in Washington state or a criminal conviction in another state or country where the violation is punishable in Washington state as a felony, and the conviction is based

upon the violation of an environmental quality statute, rule, regulation, permit, license, approval, or order.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Water, Energy & Environment.

SB 5689 by Senators Morton, Oke and Mulliken

Regulating ballot enhancement.

Finds that a person's right to privacy with respect to his or her vote for an elective office is of the highest importance, and it is the duty of the legislature to do everything within the constitutional limitations of its power to protect that privacy.

Declares an intent to protect each person's vote by disallowing the practice of altering, defacing, removing, covering, or destroying by any means a vote of a citizen.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5690 by Senators Kohl-Welles, Poulsen, Kastama and Jacobsen

Establishing the joint task force on siting of essential public facilities.

Finds that although the growth management act requires that all local comprehensive plans include procedures for identifying and siting essential public facilities, the current requirements do not provide guidance as to mitigation responsibilities when there are adverse impacts on host and neighboring communities.

Finds that there is a need to clarify regional and state mitigation responsibilities and develop regional and state mitigation tools to compensate host communities that are impacted as a result of the siting of essential public facilities.

Finds that those mitigation tools need to be incorporated into regional and statewide planning policies and agreements.

Requires the joint task force on essential public facilities to commence by June 1, 2005. The joint task force shall present a final report, including any legislative recommendations, to the legislature no later than January 1, 2006.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5691 by Senators Esser, Kline, Johnson, Thibaudeau, Roach, Keiser and Fairley

Authorizing jury source lists to be divided by jury assignment area.

Finds that superior courts with more than one superior court facility are asking some jurors to travel excessively long distances to attend court proceedings. In these cases, the legislature further finds that consideration of a juror's proximity to a particular courthouse can be accommodated while continuing to provide proportionate jury source list representation from distinctive groups within the community.

Declares an intent to lessen the burdens borne by jurors fulfilling their civic duties by providing a mechanism that narrows the geographic area from which the jurors are

drawn while maintaining a random and proportionate jury pool.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Judiciary.

SB 5692 by Senators Berkey, Benton, Prentice and Keiser

Regulating tax refund anticipation loans.

Requires that, at the time a borrower applies for a refund anticipation loan, a facilitator shall clearly disclose to the borrower, separately from the loan application: (1) The refund anticipation loan fee schedule;

(2) A written statement containing the following elements: (a) That a refund anticipation loan is a loan, and is not the borrower's actual income tax refund; (b) that the taxpayer can file an income tax return electronically without applying for a refund anticipation loan; (c) the average times according to the internal revenue service within which a taxpayer who does not obtain a refund anticipation loan can expect to receive a refund if the taxpayer's return is (i) filed electronically and the refund is directly deposited to the taxpayer's bank account or mailed to the taxpayer, and (ii) mailed to the internal revenue service and the refund is directly deposited to the taxpayer's bank account or mailed to the taxpayer; (d) that the internal revenue service does not guarantee that it will pay the full amount of the anticipated refund and it does not guarantee a specific date that a refund will be deposited into a taxpayer's financial institution account or mailed to a taxpayer; (e) that the borrower is responsible for repayment of the loan and related fees in the event that the tax refund is not paid or paid in full; (f) the estimated time within which the loan proceeds will be paid to the borrower if the loan is approved; and (g) the fee that will be charged, if any, if the borrower's loan is not approved.

Declares that any person who knowingly and willfully violates this act is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined up to five hundred dollars for each offense.

Declares that this act shall preempt and be exclusive of all local acts, statutes, ordinances, and regulations relating to refund anticipation loans. This act shall be given retroactive and prospective effect.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Financial Institutions, Housing & Consumer Protection.

SB 5693 by Senators Sheldon and Rockefeller

Establishing an aquatic rehabilitation zone around Hood Canal.

Declares that aquatic rehabilitation zones may be designated by the legislature for areas whose surrounding marine or fresh water bodies pose serious environmental or public health concerns.

Establishes aquatic rehabilitation zone one. Aquatic rehabilitation zone one includes all watersheds that drain to Hood Canal south of a line projected from Tala Point in Jefferson county to Foulweather Bluff in Kitsap county.

Provides that sewer service may be extended to the rural area to serve existing development in the watershed of Hood Canal. "Existing development" refers not only to structures that have already been built on the effective date of this act but also development for which a building permit has already been issued. Sewer service may also be

extended to such rural area if other government services are financially supportable at rural densities and that such services do not otherwise permit urban development.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5694 by Senator Sheldon

Authorizing utility hookups for parcels adjacent to urban growth areas.

Provides that a parcel in a rural area may receive domestic water supply, storm, or sanitary sewer service if it abuts a street that is located in or adjacent to the urban growth area and that contains a domestic water supply, storm, or sanitary sewer line, or if the parcel is within a mile of the urban growth area and contains an existing church, school, or campground.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5695 by Senators Sheldon, Benton, Benson and Rasmussen

Awarding service credit under the teachers' retirement system plan 1 for military service.

Provides that, after completing twenty-five years of creditable service, any member may have service in the armed forces that was performed prior to membership in the retirement system credited to him or her as a member. However, the total number of years of military service credit from all sources, as authorized by any statute, may not exceed five years.

Requires the member to also contribute to the member reserve, either in a lump sum or installments, the member's contribution as determined by the director.

Does not apply to any individual, not a veteran within the meaning of RCW 41.04.005. Military service shall not be credited to any member who is receiving full military retirement benefits pursuant to Title 10 United States Code.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5696 by Senator Benton

Requiring newspapers to comply with child labor laws.

Requires newspapers to comply with child labor laws.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Labor, Commerce, Research & Development.

SB 5697 by Senators Prentice, Zarelli, Sheldon, Shin, Rockefeller and Rasmussen

Modifying the high technology business and occupation tax credit.

Provides that if the department finds that the failure of a taxpayer to file an annual survey under RCW 82.04.4452 by the due date was the result of circumstances beyond the control of the taxpayer, the department shall extend the time for filing the survey. Such extension shall be for a period of

thirty days from the date the department issues its written notification to the taxpayer that it qualifies for an extension under this act. The department may grant additional extensions as it deems proper.

Requires that, in making a determination whether the failure of a taxpayer to file an annual survey by the due date was the result of circumstances beyond the control of the taxpayer, the department shall be guided by WAC 458-20-228 relating to the waiver or cancellation of penalties when the underpayment or untimely payment of any tax was due to circumstances beyond the control of the taxpayer.

Provides that a person who owes additional tax as a result of this act is liable for interest, but not penalties as provided in RCW 82.32.090 (1) and (2), if the entire additional tax liability is paid in full to the department of revenue before January 1, 2006.

Provides that persons who fail to repay the full amount of additional tax owed as a result of this act before January 1, 2006, are subject to all applicable penalties and interest as provided in chapter 82.32 RCW on the additional tax owing after December 31, 2005.

Expires December 31, 2010.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to International Trade & Economic Development.

SB 5698 by Senators Franklin, Benson, Keiser, Parlette, Deccio and Rasmussen

Regarding quality assurance in boarding homes, nursing homes, hospitals, peer review organizations, and coordinated quality improvement plans.

Finds that sharing of quality assurance information between boarding homes, nursing homes, coordinated quality improvement plans, peer review organizations, and hospitals will promote safe patient care and ensure consistency of care across organizations and practices.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5699 by Senators Oke, Jacobsen, Spanel, Doumit, Kline, Rockefeller and Rasmussen

Preventing and controlling aquatic invasive species and algae.

Finds that aquatic invasive species and freshwater aquatic algae are causing economic, environmental, and public health problems that affect the citizens and aquatic resources of our state. Many highly destructive species, such as the zebra mussel, are currently not found in Washington's waters and efforts should be made to prevent the introduction or spread of these aquatic invasive species into our state waters. Preventing new introductions is significantly less expensive and causes far less ecological damage than trying to control new infestations.

Finds that freshwater algae, particularly blue-green algae, are also seriously degrading the water quality and recreational value of a number of our lakes. Blue-green algae can produce toxins that inhibit recreational uses and pose a threat to humans and pets.

Declares an intent to clarify the roles of the different state agencies involved in these issues in order to address the threat of aquatic invasive species and the problem caused by aquatic freshwater algae, and to provide a dedicated fund source to prevent and control further impacts.

Creates the aquatic invasive species prevention account in the state treasury.

Declares that funds in the aquatic invasive species prevention account may be appropriated to the department to develop an aquatic invasive species prevention program for recreational watercraft. Funds must be expended as follows: (1) To inspect watercraft, watercraft trailers, and outboard motors at selected boat launching sites;

(2) To educate general law enforcement officers on how to enforce state laws relating to preventing the spread of aquatic invasive species;

(3) To evaluate and survey the risk posed by marine recreational watercraft in spreading aquatic invasive species into Washington state waters;

(4) To evaluate the risk posed by float planes in spreading aquatic invasive species into Washington state waters; and

(5) To implement an aquatic invasive species early detection and rapid response plan.

Requires the department to submit a biennial report to the appropriate legislative committees describing the actions taken to implement this section along with suggestions on how to better fulfill the intent of this act. The first report is due December 1, 2007.

Creates the freshwater aquatic algae control account in the state treasury.

Provides that funds in the freshwater aquatic algae control account may be appropriated to the department to develop a freshwater aquatic algae control program. Funds must be expended as follows: (1) As grants to cities, counties, tribes, special purpose districts, and state agencies to manage excessive freshwater algae; and

(2) To provide technical assistance to applicants and the public about aquatic algae control.

Requires the department to submit a biennial report to the appropriate legislative committees describing the actions taken to implement this act along with suggestions on how to better fulfill the intent of this act. The first report is due December 1, 2007.

Creates the aquatic invasive species enforcement account in the state treasury.

Provides that funds in the aquatic invasive species enforcement account may be appropriated to the Washington state patrol to develop an aquatic invasive species enforcement program for recreational watercraft. Funds must be expended as follows: (1) To inspect recreational watercraft that are required to stop at port of entry weigh stations managed by the Washington state patrol. The watercraft must be inspected for the presence of zebra mussels and other aquatic invasive species; and

(2) To establish random check stations, in conjunction with the department of fish and wildlife, to inspect watercraft in areas of high boating activity.

Requires the Washington state patrol to submit a biennial report to the appropriate legislative committees describing the actions taken to implement this act along with suggestions on how to better fulfill the intent of this act. The first report is due December 1, 2007.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation.

SB 5700 by Senators Haugen, Parlette, Fairley, Hargrove, Delvin and Mulliken

Modifying hospital district funding.

Provides that, in addition to the levy provided for in RCW 84.52.065, in each year the state shall levy for

collection in the following year a state tax of twenty cents per thousand dollars of assessed value upon the assessed valuation of all taxable property within the state adjusted to the state equalized value in accordance with the indicated ratio fixed by the state department of revenue.

Provides that the taxes levied by the state under this act shall be deposited into the public health subsidy account hereby created in the state treasury. Money in the public health subsidy account may be spent first for distribution to public hospital districts under this act and second to the department of health solely for the purpose of maintaining and improving local public health services and for subsidizing emergency room care.

Provides that, beginning in calendar year 2006 and every year thereafter, the state treasurer shall distribute, based on calculations by the department of revenue, from the public health subsidy account to public hospital districts levying a regular ad valorem property tax in calendar year 2005 the amount of taxes collected by the public hospital district in calendar year 2005 as follows: (1) On June 1st, the state treasurer shall distribute fifty-five percent of the amount of taxes collected by the public hospital district in calendar year 2005.

(2) On December 1st, the state treasurer shall distribute forty-five percent of the amount of taxes collected by the public hospital district in calendar year 2005.

Provides that, for calendar years beginning in 2007, the distributions under this act shall equal the distributions from the previous year increased by the increase in the state property tax levy under this act from the previous year.

Appropriates the sum of twenty-one million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the public health subsidy account to the state treasurer for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, for distribution to public hospital districts under this act.

Appropriates the sum of seventeen million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from the public health subsidy account to the state treasurer for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, for distribution to public hospital districts under this act.

Applies to taxes levied for collection in 2006 and thereafter.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5701 by Senators Hewitt and Delvin

Revising provisions relating to regional law libraries.

Revises provisions relating to regional law libraries.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Government Operations & Elections.

SB 5702 by Senators Zarelli, Kline, Fairley, Regala, Rasmussen and McAuliffe

Creating the developmental disabilities community trust account.

Provides that all proceeds from the disposal of excess property at Lakeland Village and Rainier School that would not impact current residential habilitation center operations must be deposited into the account.

Requires that expenditures from the account shall be used exclusively to provide family support and/or employment/day services to eligible persons with

developmental disabilities not receiving these services prior to January 1, 2005. It is the intent that the account should not be used to replace, supplant, or reduce existing appropriations.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Ways & Means.

SB 5703 by Senators Brandland, Spanel and Brown

Regarding medical assistance and physician recruitment.

Declares an intent to preserve the number of private medical practitioners providing essential safety net care to uninsured and medicaid patients by addressing barriers to private practice participation. Private practitioners are critical to preserving health care access for lower-income patients.

Declares an intent to provide targeted economic incentives for private provider participation in safety net care and calls for the streamlining of medicaid administrative procedures and a reduction of the administrative burden on private medical providers.

Requires the department to reverify eligibility for medical assistance on an annual basis.

Provides that the department shall not charge copremiums for medical and dental coverage of children.

Requires the department to upgrade the medicaid management information system and participate in a single secure eligibility verification system used by carriers and health care providers.

Provides that the department shall require health care contractors to develop policies and practices to support collaborative efforts to promote a new model of chronic disease management.

Requires the department to provide retroactive payment to health care providers when patient medicaid eligibility and health contractor verification is not available at the time of service.

Provides that the department shall require health care contractors to have primary care and specialty care networks in place and shall verify the integrity of their primary care and specialty care networks, that those networks are geographically within the service area, and that the providers are actually open to accepting referrals before the department signs or extends contracts. If an out-of-county specialist is needed for a medicaid client because of an inadequate specialist network within the county, written documentation is not required.

Directs the department to develop a grant program to reimburse providers who serve individuals who are medically indigent.

Provides that the department of health shall develop, in consultation with the department of revenue, a program to provide business and occupation tax credits for physicians who serve uninsured and medicaid patients in a private practice or a reduced fee access program for the uninsured and shall submit proposed legislation to the legislature by December 15, 2005.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5704 by Senators Pridemore, Schoesler, Schmidt and McAuliffe

Regarding school district bidding requirements.

Revises provisions regarding school district bidding requirements.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

SB 5705 by Senators Rockefeller, Schoesler, Rasmussen, Mulliken and McAuliffe

Avoiding fragmentation in bargaining units for classified school employees.

Provides that, for classified employees of school districts and educational service districts: (1) Appropriate bargaining units existing on the effective date of this act may not be divided into more than one unit without the agreement of the public employer and the certified bargaining representative of the unit; and

(2) In making bargaining unit determinations under this act, the commission must consider, in addition to the factors listed in this act, the avoidance of excessive fragmentation.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

SB 5706 by Senators Thibaudeau, Fairley, Fraser, Poulsen and McAuliffe

Concerning the licensing of certain dental health care providers.

Provides that dental hygienists licensed under chapter 18.29 RCW with two years' practical clinical experience with a licensed dentist within the preceding five years may perform all dental operations and services authorized under RCW 18.29.050 without dental supervision. However, the administration of local anesthetic and nitrous oxide may only be performed under the close supervision of a licensed dentist or physician.

Creates the board of dental hygiene.

Provides that in addition to other duties specified in chapter 18.29 RCW, the board of dental hygiene has the following powers and duties: (1) To develop and administer, or approve, or both, examinations to applicants for licensure under this chapter;

(2) To establish the qualifications of persons applying for licensure as a dental hygienist under this chapter and to certify to the secretary duly qualified applicants;

(3) To adopt rules not inconsistent with the laws of this state as may be deemed necessary or proper to carry out the purposes of this chapter;

(4) To establish and administer requirements for continuing competency, which shall be a prerequisite to renewing a license under this chapter;

(5) To keep an official record of all board of dental hygiene proceedings. The record is evidence of all proceedings of the board of dental hygiene that are set forth in the official record;

(6) When appropriate, to adopt rules not inconsistent with the laws of this state in response to questions put to it by professional dental-related associations, dental hygienists, and consumers in this state concerning the authority of dental hygienists to perform certain acts; and

(7) When appropriate, to consult with the dental quality assurance commission.

Repeals RCW 18.29.110, 18.29.130 and 18.29.170.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5707 by Senators Fraser, Eide, McAuliffe, Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Franklin, Kline, Haugen, Spanel and Rasmussen

Creating a women's history consortium.

Declares an intent to initiate the establishment of a Washington women's history consortium. This will improve the availability of historical information about the many actions taken by Washingtonians which have resulted in such notable and influential achievements for women and girls, for use by citizens, educators, researchers, and historians.

Requires the consortium board of advisors to provide a report to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2006, addressing the following: (1) Progress on activities identified in sections 4 and 5 of this act; and

(2) Consortium needs and plans for the future.

Requires the consortium to provide a report to the governor and the legislature by September 1, 2006, regarding recommendations for commemorating the 2010 centennial of the women's suffrage amendment to the state Constitution.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Early Learning, K-12 & Higher Education.

SB 5708 by Senators Finkbeiner, Thibaudeau, Keiser, McAuliffe and Kohl-Welles

Regarding the administration of epinephrine by emergency medical technicians.

Provides that the emergency medical technician may administer epinephrine to: (1) A patient of any age upon the presentation of evidence of a prescription for epinephrine;

(2) A patient eighteen years of age or older upon the request of the patient, or upon the request of a person who presents written authorization from the patient making such a request; and

(3) A patient under eighteen years of age upon the request of the patient or his or her parent or guardian, or upon the request of a person who presents written authorization from the patient or his or her parent or guardian making such a request.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Health & Long-Term Care.

SB 5709 by Senators Parlette, Swecker, Honeyford, Mulliken, Sheldon and Benton

Exempting vehicles in inaccessible national recreation areas from license renewal fees.

Exempts vehicles in inaccessible national recreation areas from license renewal fees.

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Transportation.

Senate Joint Memorials

SJM 8013 by Senators Berkey, Schmidt and Shin

Naming part of SR 99 the William P. Stewart Memorial Highway.

Requests that the Washington State Transportation Commission commence proceedings to name State Route 99 in Snohomish county the "William P. Stewart Memorial Highway."

-- 2005 REGULAR SESSION --

Feb 2 First reading, referred to Transportation.

